Bombay Port Trust:

1. Provision of Container Handling Facilities.

2. Replacement of Pir Pau Oil Pier.

Calcutta Port Trust: (Haldia Docks)

1. Strengthening of Existing Oil Jetty at Haldia.

2. Augmentation of existing Container Handling Terminal, Haldia.

Visakhapatnam Port Trust:

1. Conversion of W.J. 2 and W.J. 3 into regular Quay berths.

2. Upgradation of Ore Handling facilities to handle 1,70,000 DWT Ore Carriers.

Tuticorin Port Trust:

1. Construction of Second Coal Jetty.

II. *Other Major Projects*:

(i) Asian Development Bank have shown interest in fundling the scheme of Provision of Port Facilities at Paradip and Ennore (near Madras) for the movement of Coastal Thermal Coal. A Detailed Feasibility Report with the Dutch Assistance has been commissioned.

(ii) For the development of Paradip Port to receive Ore Carriers upto 1,70,000 DWT, a Detailed Project Report has been commissioned with part assistance from M/s. Hyundai Corporation of South Korea.

Inadequacy of Equipments for Handling Container Traffic at Bombay

2698. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bombay Port Trust is losing revenue worth lacs of rupees due to inadequacy of equipment and spares for handling container traffic;

(b) whether it is also a fact that due to this export trade of the country is adversely affected; and

(c) if so, what measures have been taken to remedy the situation.

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) Bombay Port handles container traffic through its own and private equipment. The total container traffic including exports and imports handled by Bombay Port is steadily increasing over the years.

Bombay Port has drawn up a Scheme for modernisation of container handling facilities.

Reconstruction of railway bridges

2699. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state what steps Government are taking to reconstruct the bridges and the railway tracks whose life span has ended and whose condition has been declared as dilapidated?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): Bridges do not require construction solely on the basis of age as they do not have any definite life span. As a matter of policy, rebuilding/rehabilitation is taken up on strength consideration in the case of bridge superstructures and on condition basis in the case of substructures. About 300 to 350 such bridges are rehabilitated every year.

Track is renewed based on condition as well as the traffic carried. During 7th Five Year Plan 21,000 Kms. of track is planned for renewal.

Health Cards for All Residents of Delhi

2700 SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to introduce health cards for all residents of Delhi;